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In response to the Examiner's Restriction Requirement, Applicant hereby elects the invention of Group I (e.g., drawn to an apparatus, as defined by claims 1-11), without traverse. Applicant reserves the opportunity to file a Divisional Application for the nonelected invention later.

Further, Applicant submits that cited reference US 6,231,711, does not disclose or suggest a conveyor divided into at least two sections separated from each other, of which the one is disposed to displace the cylindrical bodies in their longitudinal direction up to connection with the end of a preceding body, and of which the second section is disposed to positively rotate the bodies about their longitudinal axis and displace the cylindrical bodies in the direction of their longitudinal axis during application of the material web, with desired spacing between the edges of the applied material web.

Early, favorable prosecution on the merits is respectfully requested.

Should the Examiner find the application to be other than in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned at the local telephone number listed below to discuss any other changes deemed necessary in a telephonic or personal interview.

A conditional petition is made for any extension of time which may become necessary. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees for such extension and to credit any overpayment in fees to Attorney's Deposit Account No. 50-0481.

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